# District H

Identified Park Infrastructure Requests

2020

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# **Brooke Smith**





Address: 915 Northwood

Size: 23 acres

### **Amenities:**

- Community Center
- One baseball field
- Two soccer fields/flex spaces •
- A splash pad
- One playground
- One basketball court
- Two tennis courts

### Suggested Funding Partners:

- Magellan Housing
- Commissioner Adrian Garcia

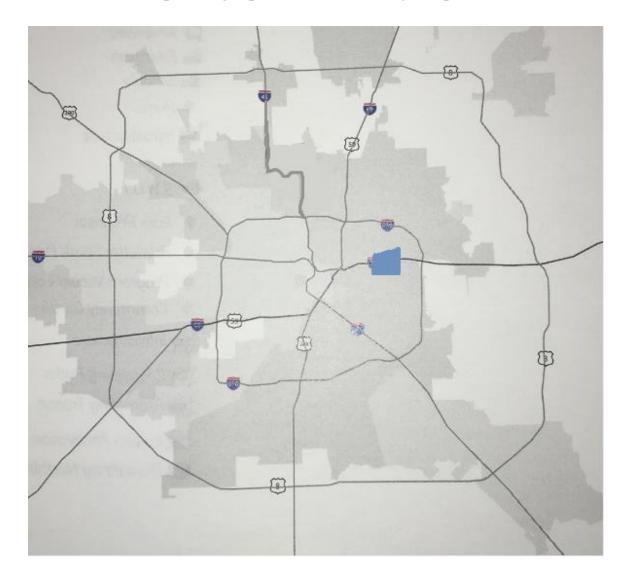
### Montie Beach Park

#### **Issue:**

- Montie Beach Park has inadequate parking available for park patrons and the surrounding neighborhood has a history of non-riverine caused structural flooding.
- Montie Beach Park is also ripe for further development as one of the most open and largest parks in the area.

- There exists the opportunity to expand the parking and protect against future floods by creating parking-covered underground detention.
- Examine the possibility of further development of the open space, working with the neighboring Brooke Smith community.
- Cover the swale on Northwood with underground detention to allow for on-street parking.
- Install WiFi at the community center.

# Denver Harbor







Address: 6402 Market St.

Size: 17 acres

### **Amenities:**

- Multi-service Center
- Three baseball fields
- One football field/flex space
- Swimming pool
- Two playgrounds
- Three covered picnic tables
- Community Garden
- Walking Trail

### Suggested Funding Partners:

- Commissioner Garcia
- The Astros Foundation

# Denver Harbor Park

### Issue:

 North of the baseball field and south of the community center in Denver Harbor
 Park is a parking lot that was stripped of asphalt and now plagued with potholes.

### Request:

• Completely resurface the south parking lot.

# Tuttle Park & Padilla Skate Park



Address: 6200 Lyons St.

Size: 3 acres

#### **Amenities:**

- One playground
- One covered picnic table
- Half-court basketball court
- Skate park

### Suggested Funding Partners:

- Brazilian Arts Foundation
- Tony Hawk Foundation

#### **Issue:**

• The Padilla Skate Park is small with room for growth in the relatively amenity-poor Tuttle Park.

- Expand the Padilla Skate Park to bring it in line with the more resourced Jamail Skate
   Park at Buffalo Bayou and Sabine St.
- Update and upgrade the existing skate facilities.

## Downtown



# Johnny Goyen Park



Address: 1 N. Milam

Size: 1 acre

**Amenities:** N/A

### **Suggested Funding Partners:**

- Art League Houston
- University of Houston-Downtown
- Houston Parks Board

### **Issue:**

- The park is a barren, underutilized space immediate adjacent to the University of Houston Downtown and Buffalo Bayou.
- Primarily used as an access point to the Buffalo Bayou Hike and Bike Trail and for desilting operations along the bayou following major storms such as Hurricane Harvey.

### **Request:**

• The park has the potential to become an active civic and recreational space for students and trail riders with temporary art installations that do not conflict with its use as an access point to the bayou, and its strategic role in silt removal after flooding events.

# East Sunset Heights





Address: 6000 N. Main

Size: 1 acre

#### **Amenities:**

Existing large trees

• Existing shade structure

### Suggested Funding Partners:

TBD

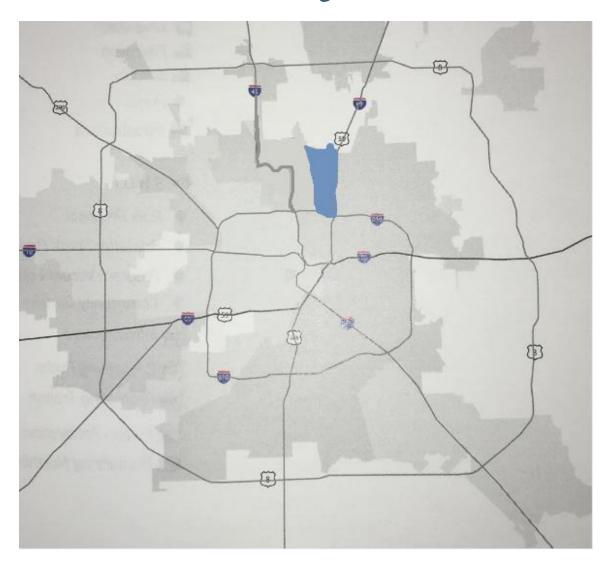
# Heights Transit Station

### **Issue:**

• The Parks Department has recently acquired the old METRO Heights Transit Station for development into a neighborhood park.

- Develop a Park Master Plan for the Transit Center site to meet the needs of the neighboring communities.
- Implement basic infrastructure to make the park usable for families, including installation of a fence along the N. Main St. side of the site.

# Eastex-Jensen





Address: 1800 Tidwell

Size: 21 acres

### **Amenities:**

- Walking Trail
- WWII Memorial

### **Suggested Funding Partners:**

- The Astros Foundation
- Commissioner Garcia
- DAR, Lady Washington Chapter

# Veterans Memorial Park

### **Issue:**

• Existing memorials have been vandalized, and the park lacks modern park amenities.

- New amenities to fill out the park space that is currently vacant. Repair existing memorials and install new memorials inclusive of all veteran groups.
- Revise the existing master plan to better meet the current needs of the neighborhood and veterans communities.

# Independence Heights





Address: 601 E. 35th St.

Size: 3 acres

### **Amenities:**

- Community Center
- One baseball fields
- One basketball court
- Swimming pool
- One playground
- One tennis court
- Community garden
- Wi-Fi

### Suggested Funding Partners:

• TBD

# Independence Heights Park

#### Issue:

- The community center at Independence Heights Park is quite old, in disrepair, and is frequently without functioning air conditioning.
- The community center is too small to properly accommodate the neighborhood.
- There is a complete lack of dedicated parking available to the park and the facility, leaving limited street parking as the only option for visitors.

- The new construction of a recreation center that is sized properly to serve the Independence Heights community.
- A parking lot that can support the patrons of the park and community center facility.



# McCullough Park

### **Issue:**

There is limited access to McCullough Park in Independence Heights due to a lack of sidewalks and the fact that the park is surrounded by ditches.

### **Request:**

- Provide more paved pedestrian access into the park so that it is more accessible to residents of all abilities.
- Improve the undefined baseball field.

Address: 901 E. 40<sup>th</sup> St.

Size: 1 acre

#### Amenities:

- One basketball court
- One undefined baseball field
- One playground

### Suggested Funding Partners:

The Astros Foundation

# Near Northside





Address: 4250 Elysian

Size: 1 acre

### **Amenities:**

- One basketball court
- One playground
- One covered picnic table

### Suggested Funding Partners:

• TBD

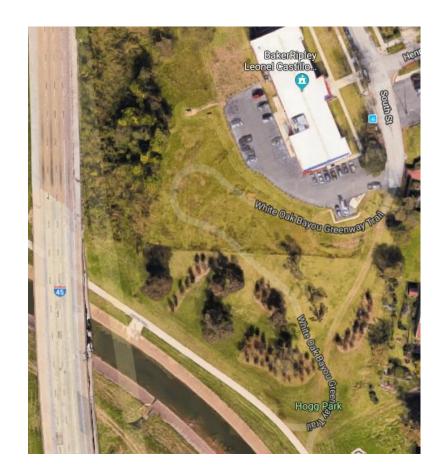
# Earl Henderson Park

### **Issue:**

 Earl Henderson Park is the only park serving the east side of the Near Northside, a Complete Community. Currently its only amenities are a set of playground equipment and a basketball court.

### Request:

• The community would like a splash pad, permanent restroom facilities, and an outdoor stage for neighborhood performances and events at the site.



Address: 2211 South

Size: 1 acre

### **Amenities:**

White Oak Bayou Greenway
 Trail access

### Suggested Funding Partners:

• ULI

# Hogg Park

### Issue:

 Hogg Park is located next to the newly renovated and heavily used Leonel Castillo Community Center, but only serves as a passthrough for users of the White Oak Bayou Greenway Trail.

### **Request:**

 Amenities such as playground equipment to make the park more appealing and useful to the surrounding community.



Address: 1000 Cavalcade

Size: 6 acres

### **Amenities:**

• One basketball court

One playground

One baseball field

### Suggested Funding Partners:

• The Astros Foundation

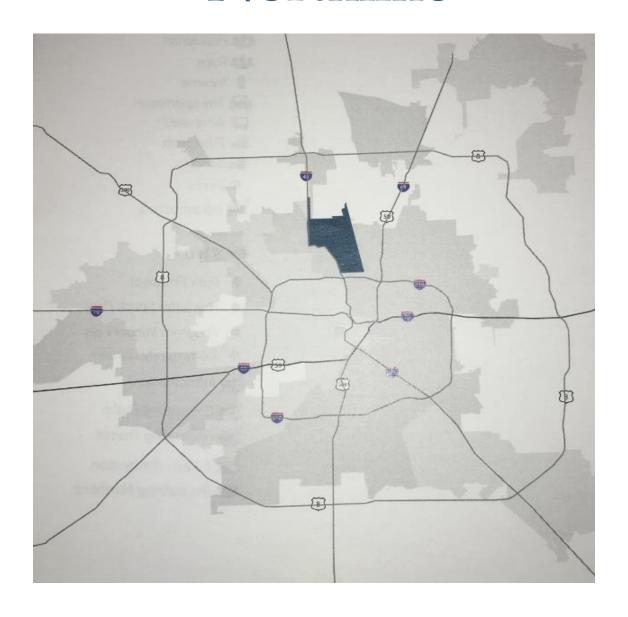
# Irvington Park

### **Issue:**

• Irvington Park has a small number of amenities for its size, and the currently wooded area on the northeast corner of the site is viewed as a dangerous location due to how dark it is during the night.

- A walking trail around the park to encourage active exercise and exploration of the neighborhood.
- Lighting around the park.

# Northline





Address: 9718 Clark

Size: 13 acres

#### **Amenities:**

- Community Center
- One baseball field
- One football field/flex space
- One playground
- A walking trail

### **Suggested Funding Partners:**

- SCI
- Mosbacher Energy

### Clark Park

### **Issue:**

- Generally the building at Clark Park is undersized, in poor condition, and does not include all desired programmatic elements.
- People come from all directions to Clark Park, making it a prime location for improvements and additions.
- There is not adequate parking for the current activities during intensive use periods and the existing asphalt parking is generally in poor condition.

- The COH and local residents would benefit from the redevelopment of the current Clark Park.
- Implement the recommendations of the newly created Clark Park Master Plan, including the creation of a new community center, increased parking capacity, and new programming.
- Install WiFi at the community center.





Address: 1000 Canino Rd.

Size: 92 acres

#### **Amenities:**

- Community Center
- Six baseball fields
- Three football fields/flex spaces
- A splash pad
- Two playgrounds
- Two covered picnic tables
- Golf Course

### **Suggested Funding Partners:**

- Commissioner Ellis
- The Astros Foundation

### Melrose Park

#### **Issue:**

- The parking lot in front of the recreation building has bumps, cracks, and creates inadequate parking conditions.
- The parking lot in between the two baseball fields at Melrose Park is in severe disrepair.
- The walking trail on the northside of the building is currently short, uneven, and dangerous.

- Complete parking lot reconstruction beside the recreation building and baseball field.
- The addition of an extended jogging and walking trail that covers more of the park and encourages active use and exploration of the space.
- Install WiFi at the community center.



# New Park Land Acquisition

### **Issue:**

- There exists a 2 square mile area in the Northline Neighborhood that has no park space at all.
- As noted in the 2015 Houston Parks Master Plan, the City's Park Average is 22 acres for every 1000 residents. Conversely, Northline's Park Average is .32 acres for every 1000 residents.

### **Request:**

• Acquire land within the Northline neighborhood for development into a community park.

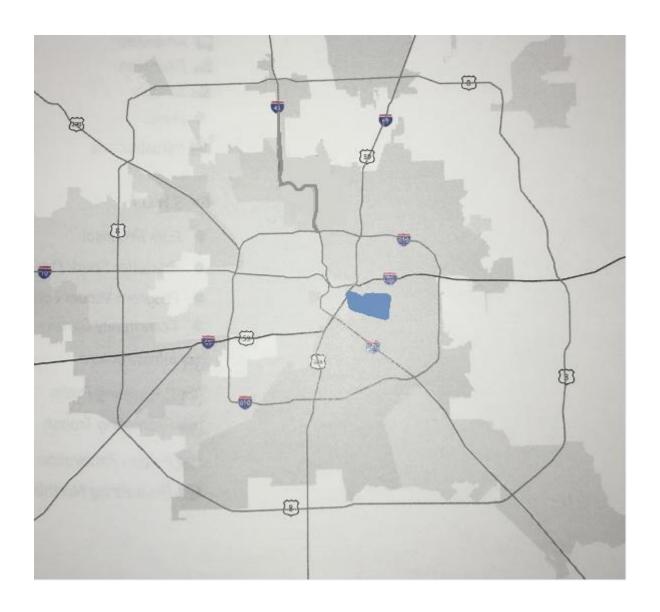
Address: N/A

**Suggested Funding Partners:** 

Size: N/A

TBD

# **Second Ward**





Address: 5020 Harrisburg

Size: 11 acres

#### **Amenities:**

- Community Center
- One baseball field
- A skate park
- A pool
- A playground
- Two futsal courts

### Suggested Funding Partners:

- TIRZ #23
- Wells Fargo

### **Eastwood Park**

#### **Issue:**

• The Community Center at Eastwood Park is undersized for the current needs of the community. While heavy on amenities, the park lacks programmatic elements due to restricted indoor community space.

- Implement the recommendations of the forthcoming Eastwood Park Master Plan being created by TIRZ #23 and Clark Condon & Associates.
- Expand the community center.
- Install WiFi at the community center.



**Address:** 500 Fox

Size: .1 acre

**Amenities:** 

N/A

**Suggested Funding** 

Partners:

• TBD

### Fox Park

### **Issue:**

• Fox Park is a small triangular piece of greenspace in the heart of the Second Ward Neighborhood with no amenities.

### **Request:**

• Simple amenities such as benches or a playground set could result in a huge boost to this park's usefulness in the community.



Address: 808 N. York

Size: 31 acres

#### **Amenities:**

- Three football fields/flex spaces
- A playground
- One large covered picnic area

### **Suggested Funding Partners:**

• Buffalo Bayou Partnership

# Tony Marron Park

#### **Issue:**

• Tony Marron Park, just east of downtown in the Second Ward Complete Community, has an abundance of open space that is currently underutilized.

- Revitalization of the park, similar to efforts made at Emancipation Park to establish it as a premier, signature park for the Second Ward community
- Expand the programmatic elements and amenities of the park to attract new users to the space.